

Parish of St Justin

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St Justin's Parish is committed to the safety, well-being and dignity of all children and vulnerable adults.

Third Sunday in Ordinary Time, Year A

22nd January 2023

PARISH PERSONNEL

Parish Priest: Fr Andrzej Madry

Congregation of the Resurrection

PARISH DEACON:

Deacon Neil Daculan

PARISH SECRETARY:

Jeanne Bernard

SAFEGUARDING TEAM

Mai-Ling Sholl Ophelia D'Souza

Wheelershill.safeguarding @cam.org.au

ST Justin's School

PRINCIPAL:

Patrick Torpey 9561 7644

NAZARETH COLLEGE

PRINCIPAL:

Sam Consentino 9795 8100

PARISH OFFICE OPEN:

Tuesday 2pm—4pm Wednesday 10am—4pm Thursday 10.00am —2pm Friday 12noon —4pm

WEEKEND MASSES:

Saturday Vigil: 6.00pm Sunday : 8.30am, 10.30am & 5 pm

WEEK DAY MASSES:

Tuesday , Wednesday, Thursday, Friday 9.15 am, Saturday 9.15am

RECONCILIATION: BY APPOINTMENT AND Saturday after 9.15am Mass

BAPTISMS, MARRIAGES,

PASTORAL CARE OF THE SICK:

For details regarding the celebration of these sacraments, please contact the Parish Office or speak directly to Fr Andrzej.

BAPTISM PREPARATION Please contact the Parish Office 9401 6335

First Reading

A reading from the prophet Isaiah Is 8:23 - 9:3

In days past the Lord humbled the land of Zebulun and the land of Naphtali, but in days to come he will confer glory on the Way of the Sea on the far side of Jordan, province of the nations.

The people that walked in darkness has seen a great light; on those who live in a land of deep shadow a light has shone. You have made their gladness greater, you have made their joy increase, they rejoice in your presence as men rejoice at harvest time, as men are happy when they are dividing the spoils. For the yoke that was weighing on him, the bar across his shoulders, the rod of his oppressor, these you breaak as on the day of Midian.

The Word of the Lord, Response - Thanks be to God

Responsorial Psalm

Ps 26:1. 4. 13-14. R. v.1 (R.) The Lord is my light and my salvation.

- 1. The Lord is my light and my help; whom shall I fear? The Lord is the stronghold of my life; Before whom shall I shrink? (R.)
- 2. There is one thing I ask of the Lord, for this I long, to live in the house of the Lord, all the days of my life, to savour the sweetness of the Lord, to behold his temple. (R.)
- 3. I am sure I shall see the Lord's goodness in the land of the living. Hope in him, hold firm and take heart. Hope in the Lord! (R.)

Second Reading

A reading from the first letter of St Paul to the Corinthians 1 Cor 1:10 - 13, 17

I appeal to you, brothers, for the sake of our Lord Jesus Christ, to make up the differences between you, and instead of disagreeing among yourselves, to be united again in your belief and practice.

From what Chloe's people have been telling me, my dear brothers, it is clear that there are serious differences among you. What I mean are all these slogans that you have, like: 'I am for Paul', 'I am for Apollos', 'I am for Cephas', 'I am for Christ'. Has Christ been parcelled out? Was it Paul that was crucified for you? Were you baptised in the name of Paul?

For Christ did not send me to baptise, but to preach the Good News, and not to preach that in the terms of philosophy in which the crucifixion of Christ cannot be expressed.

The Word of the Lord, Response - Thanks be to God

Gospel Acclamation

Alleluia, alleluia! Jesus preached the Good News of the kingdom and healed all who were sick. Alleluia!



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A reading from the holy Gospel according to Matthew Mt 4:12-23

Hearing that John had been arrested Jesus went back to Galilee, and leaving Nazareth he went and settled in Capernaum, a lakeside town on the borders of Zebulun and Naphtali. In this way the prophecy of Isaiah was to be fulfilled:

Land of Zebulun! Land of Naphtali! Way of the sea on the far side of Jordan, Galilee of the nations! The people that lived in darkness has seen a great light; on those who dwell in the land and shadow of death a light has dawned.

From that moment Jesus began his preaching with the message, 'Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is close at hand.'

The Gospel of the Lord Response - Praise to you, Lord Jesus Christ

Next Week's Reading
4th Sunday in Ordinary Time Yr A
Zeph 2:3; 3:12 -13: I Cor 1:26 - 31:
Mt 5:1 - 12:





We pray for the sick of our Parish:

Carmel Welsh, Francis & Joanne Downs, Fred Clarke, Tiana Mugagulio, David Booth, Maria Macan, Rita, Steven & Georgette Mizher, Annette & Stephen Sachie. Judy Mead, Melissa Fernandes, Pauline Fisher, Celine Tang Willis. Lucy Field. Dilini.

We pray for Fr. Tao Xuan Pham and all souls who passed away recently, may they rest in peace.

We remember and all whose death anniversaries that occur at this

Thanksgiving Collections 15th January

1st Collection (house)

Presbytery - \$ 814.50

2nd Collection (church)

Thanksgiving - \$ 369.65 Loose - \$ 275.40

Thankyou and appreciate for your continuous support given to St Justin's Parish, God Bless,

Sacraments Preparation Classes

St Justin's Parish provides preparation for the Sacraments for children who attend schools other than our parish school.

If you wish for your child to attend these lessons, please notify the Parish Office by the 7th of February 2023:

Email: wheelershill@cam.org.au or

Parish Office 9401 6335

Information and enrolment session is the 14th of February 2023 from 4.00 pm - 5.30pm

The grade levels for each Sacraments are: First Holy Communion/Reconciliation Grade 4 Confirmation - Grade

ST JUSTIN'S PARISH **CRAFT GROUP**

All welcome, come along to the Meeting Room in St Justin's Parish House WEDNESDAYS 1.00pm—3.00pm

2nd & 4th Wed each month (except school holidays) Next gatherings will be in February 2023

Sewing, Knitting, Crochet, Craft Projects

- Bring along your own project
- Learn a new craft
- Or just share a cuppa and a chat Any queries contact Mai Ling 0412 499 205.

Parish Calendar 2023

Sunday 5th February

Youth Mass 5pm and Youth Group meeting 6pm

Wednesday 22nd February

Ash Wednesday



YOUTH MASS



MASS: 5.00 pm to 6 pm YOUTH MEETING: 6 pm to 7.30 pm

ST JUSTIN'S PARISH **MEETING ROOM**

Discussions of future meetings. Games. Prayer.



"Vinnies Food Appeal"

We need your help for those in the community less fortunate than ourselves,

Donations of non -perishable food items, such as Coffee, Tea, Jam, Cereal, Canned Tomatoes', Rice, Sugar, Noodles, Peanut Butter, Long-life Full Cream Milk.

These essentials named are in urgent need.

There will be a baskets in the church fover.

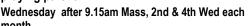
Cash donations can be left in the St Vincent De Paul box at the rear of the church

We will run the collection for three weeks.

Your generosity is much appreciated, Thank you

MOTHERS PRAYER GROUP

We will never be a perfect parent, but we can be a praying parent.



"Your prayers for your children are the greatest legacy you can leave."

For more information

month

Please contact Yvette on 0435 757 439

Mothers, Aunts & Grandmothers are Welcome!



AUSTRALIA DAY PRAYER



We bless you, God of the universe,
for this land,
for its contrasts of landscape and climate,
for its abundance of wealth and opportunity.
We bless you for our history,
with all its struggle in adversity,
its courage and hope,
Give us in our diversity
tolerance and respect for each other
and a passionate commitment to justice for all.
Bless us so that we might be a blessing to others.
We ask this through Jesus Christ our Lord.
Amen.

Memorial Mass

A Memorial Mass for the Repose of the Soul of His Eminence George Cardinal Pell AC, will be celebrated at *St Patrick's Cathedral on Friday 3 February 2023 at 6.30pm by Archbishop Peter A. Comensoli.*



Message from the Safeguarding Unit

The Safeguarding Unit is very pleased to invite you to join us for a special presentation by scholar Fr Hans Zollner SJ who is visiting Australia from the Pontifical Gregorian University in Rome and Ms Liana Buchanan, the Principal Commissioner for Children and Young People in Victoria.

Fr Hans Zollner SJ* on the topic:

Putting child safety at the centre – Reflections on world best practice in the protection of children and vulnerable people in the Catholic Church. And Ms Liana Buchanan*

Principal Commissioner for Children and Young People (Victoria)

Date - Wednesday 1 February 2023, 6:30 pm - 8:15 pm Location - Catholic Leadership Centre 576 Victoria Parade, East Melbourne VIC 3002 COST - Free (however, places limited with bookings essential)

Please use the TryBooking link below to reserve your seat.

Putting Child Safety at the Centre Tickets, Catholic Leadership Centre,
East Melbourne | TryBooking Australia

All Parish Bulletin requests must be in **by Wednesday midday**.

Please email all requests to wheelershill@cam.org.au

Memorial Mass for Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI



Please join at St Patrick's Cathedral on the evening of Sunday 29 January, when Archbishop Peter A Comensoli will celebrate a memorial Mass for Pope Emeritus Benedict XVI. The Mass will take place approximately one month after his death, providing an

opportunity for the People of God in Melbourne to gather together and to remember and pray for Pope Benedict.

St Patrick's Cathedral 1 Cathedral Place, East Melbourne Sunday 29 January, 6.30pm

For all queries, contact communications@cam.org.au

Reflection - "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand"

That's fitting for this Third Sunday in Ordinary Time. The beginning of the Church year, of course, focused on the advent and infancy of Jesus. So today's Gospel Reading during the early part of Ordinary Time focuses on the basics of following Jesus.

After Jesus calls two sets of brothers to become "fishers of men", He labors at three works of public ministry amidst "all of Galilee". Jesus teaches, preaches, and cures the sick. Yet the fact that the short form of today's Gospel Reading ends by focusing upon Jesus' preaching suggests how central preaching is to His public ministry.

In fact, the only words that we hear Jesus preaching in today's Gospel Reading are: "Repent, for the kingdom of heaven is at hand." Repentance is the first word of Jesus' preaching the Word of God. From the perspective of those who hear the Word of God, repentance is the first word of following Jesus. When Jesus later commands His disciples to take up their crosses each day [Luke 9:23], this command includes the embrace of daily repentance.

Saint Paul in today's Second Reading draws our attention to the link between preaching and the cross of Christ. It's telling that the occasion for Paul writing this is divisions among the Corinthians. Paul's remedy for divisions within the Church is the cross of Christ. He even speaks to one of the pitfalls that he, as a preacher, has to work to avoid. This pitfall is the "human eloquence" that captivates in the short term but can bear no lasting fruit, and in fact does lasting harm by creating an expectation and desire within Christians for what is shallow.

The depth of the Word of God is only found finally in the cross of Christ. Every word of the Old Testament is fulfilled in the cross of Christ on Calvary on Good Friday, just as each word and work during Jesus' public ministry was so fulfilled. Every word and work of Jesus after His Resurrection, as every word in the New Testament books that follow the four Gospel accounts, and as every work of the Church in her sacraments, flows from the power of the cross of Christ. Of no sacrament is this more true than the Most Blessed Sacrament of the Eucharist, where the Word made Flesh offers Himself in sacrifice, so that we can join sacramentally in His singular act of salvation.

By embracing Jesus' cross, we can come to communion with the divine Person of Jesus Christ Himself. Only through this Cross can the Christian enter the life of the Son, and through the Son enter the embrace of the Father. In the order of salvation, this is the providential role of the Word of God.

ROSTERS	DATE	ALTAR SERVERS	DATA PROJECTIONIST	READERS	EUCHARISTIC MINISTER
Sat 6.00 pm	21 Jan	Volunteer	Volunteer	Helen Johnpillai	
Sun 8.30am	22 Jan	Volunteer	Khai Vu	Noeline Willenberg	Deacon Neil
Sun 10.30 am	22 Jan	Volunteer	Demetrio DeJesus	Rudy Fernandes	Deacon Neil
Sun 5.00 pm	22 Jan	Volunteer	Volunteer	Ashleigh D'Souza	
NEXT WEEK					
Sat 6.00pm	28 Jan	Volunteer	Volunteer	Yvette Esteves	
Sun 8.30am	29 Jan	Volunteer	Oswin Antao	Claudia Scuteri	Deacon Neil
Sun 10.30am	29 Jan	Volunteer	Lolita Briones	Demetrio Dejesus	Deacon Neil
Sun 5.00 pm	29 Jan	Volunteer	Anthony Devadass	Anne Sylvester	
ROSTERS		COUNTERS	CLEANING	ALTAR	
THIS WEEK	22 Jan	Adeline Sie, Peter Corteling		Tamara Corteling	
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CHILD SAFE PARISH

Here at St Justin's, Wheelers Hill Parish we follow the Child Safe Standards outlined by the Victorian Government and we implement procedures and standards as directed by the Archdiocese of Melbourne.

All Volunteers must have a current **Working with Children Check Card**.

If you need assistance or for more information- please contact the Parish Office or

Fr Andrew - wheelershill@cam.org.au on 9401 6335. or

Safeguarding group; wheelershill.safeguarding @cam.org.au

ST SIMON'S RCIA PROGRAM Starting in February 2023

Are you or a friend interested in becoming a Catholic? RCIA is for: Adults who are not baptised. Adults baptised in another Christian church. Non-practising Catholics wishing to renew their faith.

Phone the Parish office on 9764 4058 or Reg on 9790 5616.

Aid to the Church in Need -Help support sisters in Kenya



Is asking for support to aid sisters in Kenya in building a new mother house and formation

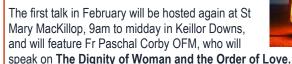
providing them with a permanent convent.

centre for their local community. Hunger, illiteracy, and lack of medical provision, combined with desperately poor roads and a lack of clean drinking water make life incredibly difficult for many people in Kenya. The diocesan congregation of the "Visitation Daughters of the Immaculate Heart" were established in order to help this needy population - but to continue their work they need your help! The sisters' work includes caring for expectant mothers, acting as midwives, providing counselling, caring for the sick and looking after the elderly and orphans who are frequently abandoned by society. Your support will help these sisters to continue their mission by

To make an offering and learn more visit https://aidtochurch.org/monthlyproject

The Lamps Alight Series for 2023

Is now available so mark your calendars and bring some friends for a morning of prayer, reflection, and community.





More info to follow. Contact melbourne@op-tn.org.



The Catholic Archdiocese of Melbourne and the Theology of the Body Institute proudly present 'Made for More: Visions of the Promised Land' with Christopher West—Music by Mike Mangione. Made for More creatively weaves together dynamic presentations with live music, media and sacred art for an evening of beauty and reflection on the meaning of life, love and human destiny. Join Christopher West and team as they offer a vision of the Gospel through the lens of Saint John Paul II's Theology of the Body.

Venue: St Mary's Community Centre, 26 New Street Dandenong <u>Time:</u> 6pm Food | 7pm Event start | 9:30pm Event close. <u>Tickets:</u> \$25 general, \$10 concession/student, free for children 10 and under.

Adult supervision required for all participants under the age of 18 years.

For all enquiries, contact proclaim@cam.org.au or call (9926 5761).

ADVERTISING IN ST JUSTIN'S PARISH NEWSLETTER

We are now able to offer the opportunity for parishioners to advertise their business in our weekly newsletter.

The cost will be \$5.00 per week. Funds will assist the cost of printing our parish newsletter. Advertisements will appear on the back page of the newsletter with the disclaimer below.

If you wish to place an advertisement please contact the Parish Office call 9401 6335 or email wheelershill@cam.org.au